opening letter of credit as required in Bulk Power Supply Agreement. A request for restoration of AP's share in Kaiga was made by Government of Andhra Pradesh. NPCIL communicated to APTRANSCO on 02.05.2002 that the issue to diversion of power would be reconsidered by them, if APTRANSCO opens the letter of credit to ensure prompt payment.

Due to power crisis in Karnataka, the allocation from unallocated quota from Central Generating Stations in Eastern Region was reviewed and enhanced to Karnataka from 21.2% to 31.2% with corresponding reduction of 20 MW, 6 MW and 24 MW to Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Kerala respectively.

Loans to States under AG&SP

2296. SHRI K. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount disbursed as loans to States under the Accelerated Generation and Supply Programme (AG&SP) during the last three years;

(b) what are the various incentives given to State Electricity Boards for generation of power;

(c) the interest subsidy given to SEBs;

(d) the total number of Hydro and Thermal Projects covered under the Programme, State-wise, during Ninth Five Year Plan; and

(e) the thermal and hydro projects of Andhra Pradesh which are covered under the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) The total amount of loan disbursed under the Accelerated Generation and Supply Programme (AG&SP) during the last three years is as under:—

Year	Amount (Rs. in Crs.)
1999-2000	2032
2000-2001	1513
2001-2002	3104
TOTAL	6649

(b) Under AG&SP Scheme operated under IX Plan period, interest subsidy @ 4% was provided to State Electricity Boards (SEBs), State Generating Corporations (SGCs), State Power Departments (SPDs), Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs) and State Utilities on disbursement made by Power Finance Corporation (PFC) for Renovation & Modernisation (R&M), Life Extension, Expeditious completion of generation projects, missing transmission links and system improvement schemes. In addition, 1% additional subsidy was given for projects in North-East. Grants were also provided for carrying out various categories of studies.

(c) The interest subsidy given under the AG&SP Scheme during the last three years is as under:—

Year	Amount (Rs. in Crs.)
1999-2000	296
2000-2001	298
2001-2002	350

(d) The total number of Hydro and Thermal Projects covered under the AG&SP Scheme during the Ninth Five Year Plan is given in Statement-I (*See* below)

(e) Details of the Thermal and Hydro projects of Andhra Pradesh covered under AG&SP Scheme is given in Statement-II.

Statement-I

Details of Hydro & Thermal Power Projects covered under AG&SP Scheme

Sl. No.	Name of the State	No. of Projects
1.	Andhra Pradesh	15
2.	Assam	5
3.	Bihar	1
4.	Madhya Pradesh	20
5.	West Bengal	10
6.	Himachal Pradesh	9

Sl. No.	Name of the State	No. of Projects
7.	Rajasthan	11
8.	Haryana	19
9.	Gujarat	13
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	2
11.	Karnataka	9
12.	Kerala	2
13.	Maharasthra	27
14.	Mizoram	3
15.	Nagaland	6
16.	Arunachal Pradesh	2
17.	Uttar Pradesh	6
18.	Orissa	6
19.	Delhi	1
20.	Punjab	7
21.	Tamil Nadu	16
	TOTAL	190

Statement-II

Details of Hydro & Thermal Power Projects of Andhra Pradesh covered under AG&SP Scheme

Sl. No.	Project Name
1.	(250 MW) of KothagudemTPS
2.	KothagudemTPS STG-V
3.	Singur Hydro Elect. Power Project
4.	Kothagudem 8 PL
5.	Nellore 8 Plan
6.	Srisailam HPS
7.	Lower Sileru HPS 4* 115 MW
8.	CPF for Srisailam LB HEP (6 x 150)
9.	KTPS - Aug. of Coal Handling Plant

Sl. No.	Project Name
10.	Pager (R&M Activities) KTPS-A
11.	Pager (R&M Activities) KTPS-D
12.	Pager (R&M Activities) Vijaywada
13.	Pager (R&M Activities) RTPP
14.	Spisailam Right Bank HEP
15.	G. Wall for Lower Sileru PH

Functioning of EEB in the developed countries

†2297. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the names of developed countries where organizations like Energy Efficiency Bureau are functioning;

(b) whether Government have recently declared energy audit as mandatory in cement, paper and construction industry in the country; and

(c) if so, the justification for such an audit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) The names of the countries where organizations like Energy Efficiency Bureau are functioning are as under:—

Austria, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Ireland, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Netherlands, Switzerland, Turkey, Czech Rep., Hungary, Poland, Slovakia, Republic of Korea, Mexico, New Zealand, Belgium, USA, Canada and Japan.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Techno-economic clearance to the Almatti Dam Power House

2298. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Karnataka has sought Centre's techno-economic clearnance for the Almatti Dam Power House; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's response to the proposal?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.